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Title: **METHODS AND APPARATUS FOR CONTROLLING PROCESSING ENTITIES, SUCH AS DISTRIBUTED SIGNALING GATEWAYS**

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

In an Office Action mailed on December 8, 2009, on the above-identified U.S. Patent application, a shortened statutory period of Three months was set for response. In accordance with 37 CFR 1.136(a), applicant(s) hereby request(s) a:

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time extension so that the period to the Office Action expires on April 8, 2010.

Authorization to charge the fee required by 37 CFR 1.17 to Deposit Account 08-2025 appears in the enclosed transmittal letter. At any time during the pendency of this application, please charge any fees required or credit any over payment to Deposit Account 08-2025 pursuant to 37 CFR 1.25. Additionally please charge any fees to Deposit Account 08-2025 under 37 CFR 1.16 through 1.21 inclusive, and any other sections in Title 37 of the Code of Federal Regulations that may regulate fees.

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